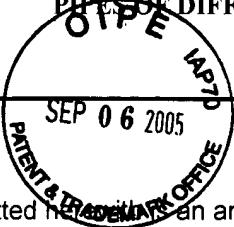
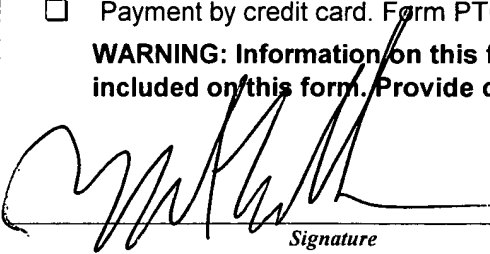


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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed July 14, 2005, kindly amend the above application as specified in the following pages to place the application in *prima facie* condition for allowance.

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